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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS
Sterling \$1,500,000 at 1% \$15,000,000
Silver \$14,000,000 \$19,000,000

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
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For 3 months, 4% per cent. per Annum
For 6 months, 5% per cent. per Annum
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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1908. [34]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits allowed at 4% per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [38]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

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ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222
RESERVE FUND GOLD \$3,250,000
ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222

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NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
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THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4% per cent. per annum.

6 " 4 " " " "

3 " 3 " " " "

No. 9, Queen's Road Central,
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W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1908. [25]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-
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(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,45,000,000 (£3,750,000).
RESERVE FUND £1,572,884.84
(about £479,407).

Head Office—AMSTERDAM.
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THE Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and corresponds in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

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Fixed Deposits 12 months 4% per annum.
Do. 6 do. 4% do.
Do. 3 do. 3% do.
J. L. VAN HOUTEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1908. [56]

Banks.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP Ver 24,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS " 15,100,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposit—

For 12 months 5% p.a.

" 6 " 5% "

" 3 " 5% "

TAKRO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1908. [33]

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AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

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per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4% per cent.

" 6 " 3% "

" 3 " 3% "

JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1908. [39]

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HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

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DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

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A. KOEHN,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. [39]

Intimations.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL, 30.11.08.

AND THREE PRACTICE DANCES.

SCOTSMEN desiring to subscribe to the
above are requested to forward their
names to the undersigned.

DAVID WOOD,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1908. [60]

FRENCH STORE

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HAVE just received a Fresh Assortment
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Hongkong, 22nd August, 1908. [60]

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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO MAIL ON	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE &	POONA	About 13th Oct.	Freight only.
YOKOHAMA	Capt. A. F. VINE, R.N.R.		
SHANGHAI	[ASAGE Capt. C. L. Daniel]	About 15th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c., via usual Ports	DELTA Capt. B. W. H. Snow	17th Oct. Noon	In Special Advertisement.

For Further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th October, 1908. [33]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

LAST DAY

OF

SALE,

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH.

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ARE THE BEST WHISKIES OBTAINABLE.

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1908. [40]

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New Regal Shoes and Monarch

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP	"ZIETEN" Capt. F. Pisch	WEDNESDAY, Noon, 1st October.
BREMEN		
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"KLEIST" Capt.	About WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. I. COZ	THURSDAY, 5 P.M., 5th November.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Semblé	About the 18th Oct.

For further particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

Intimation.
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Length inside 614 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

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Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft. bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 3 hours.

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The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Tugboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

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Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A, B, C, 4th and 5th Edt.

Lieber, Scotts, A. J., and Watson.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1908.

WEATHER-PREDICTION AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:

Signal.

1. A CONE point upwards indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.

2. A CONE point upwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

3. A DRUM indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.

4. A CONE point downwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

5. A CONE point downwards indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.

6. A CONE point downwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

7. A BALL indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.

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SUICIDE IN JAPAN.

LARGE NUMBER FOR THIS YEAR.

From reports of suicides, that are daily published in the vernacular journals it would appear that there is at present a distinct tendency to an increase in the number of suicides in this country. Mr. Shindo, Chief of the Statistics Bureau in the Metropolitan Police Board, has compiled interesting statistics showing the number, methods, etc., of the suicides that occurred in Tokyo during the last three years. As will be seen from the figures given below, drowning is the most usual method resorted to; hanging, running over by trains, taking of poison, etc., coming in the order named. The following returns refer to the first six months of each year for the sake of comparison:

Death by	1906	19.7. 1908
Drowning	432	108 167
Hanging	88	108 90
Ran over by train	56	75 90
By the sword	34	33 37
Poison	48	34 45
Shooting	6	2 4
Others	9	6 20
	307	307 441

Curiously, the numbers of suicides for the first half-year of 1906 and 1907 are exactly the same, though there was an increase of 18 per cent. for this year. Of course no cases of attempted suicide are included in the above figures. According to Mr. Shindo, of the various methods of suicide employed, hanging is said to be the surest means of self-destruction. Something like 95 per cent. of those who adopt this method succeed in their attempt. The second best is the railway, water-plunging coming in a good third. The sword is a most treacherous instrument for the purposes of suicide, only 30 per cent. of those who try this national weapon attaining their end. The chances of those who have recourse to poison are nearly evenly balanced.

As to the causes leading to suicide, a large number may be traced to mental derangement whilst no motives can be discovered in a good many cases. Whereas the number of suicides which could be traceable to the difficulty of living was only 27 for the first six months of 1906, it increased to 51 in the same period of 1908. Mental derangement, difficulty of living, result of jealousy or unrequited love and dissipation are the principal causes of suicides. Among those who take their own lives as the result of jealousy or love there is a larger percentage of women, while self-destruction in consequence of dissipation is almost monopolised by men. The number of suicides for the first half of 1906 comprised 199 men and 168 women; that of 1907, 228 men and 139 women; and that of 1908, 268 men and 173 women. There would seem to be a tendency for the rate of suicides to increase more rapidly among men than among women.—*Japan Chronicle*.

STAMMER FREIGHTS ON THE PACIFIC.

In a telegram to the Foreign Office in Tokyo, dated the 23rd ultimo, the Japanese Consul at Chicago states that, according to what has been privately shown by a certain authority as a scale of freight tariffs on Oriental goods recently agreed upon by eight steamship companies engaged in the Pacific trade, the freight on anony is 30 cents per ton lbs., bamboo rods, 50 cents, bamboo blinds, \$1; raw silk, \$2.25; and tea 60 cents. When these rates are added to the railway freightage, says the message, they cannot be said to be a very radical increase. The agents in Chicago of railway and steamship companies do not seem to have yet received instructions from the head office regarding the rates of freight. The tariff may be amended before being finally decided upon. Some of the authorities in Chicago interested in the freight question are watching the attitude of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha before finally settling the tariff rates.

Intimations

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FIFTH and LAST MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley, TO-MORROW, 10th October, 1908, commencing at 3.45 P.M.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-price.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

REGINALD F. C. MASTER

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908. [865]

MESSAGERIES CANTONAISES.

FRENCH LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN HONGKONG, CANTON AND KOUANG-SI.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.
S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

The speediest, most luxuriously appointed and punctual steamers on the line.

Departure from Hongkong at 10 P.M. (Saturdays excepted).

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These superb steamers carrying the French Mail are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Fans and were specially built for this trade. Excellent cuisine.

The Company's Own Wharf near Wing Lok Street.

Canton Agents—Messrs. E. Pasquet & Co.

For further particulars, please apply to—

BARRETT & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1908. [111]

WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

HONGKONG-WU CHOW W LINE.

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LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI,
11, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C. 52, Bentinck Street, 166, Nanking Road

Hongkong, 28th March 1908. [114]

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Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNING.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour:

Gap Rock. Aberdeen.
Waglan. Soi Ki Wan.
Stanley. Sal Kuang.
Cape Collinson. Sha Tau Kok.
Tal Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal, from the Light-houses.

F. G. WOOD,

Director.

With July, 1908. [114]

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BENGIER'S FOOD

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Intimation.

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Costumes, Coats.

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Frocks, Tunics, Coats, Suits, Hats, Shoes, Hosiery, Gloves, etc.

POWELL'S ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1908.

Public Companies.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Office of the Underwriters
on FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., at Noon.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd
instant, 1908, both days inclusive.JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1908. [886]

THE DRY FARM COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWELFTH ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
in the above Company will be held at the
Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 27th October,
1908, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting
the Report of the Directors and Statement of
Accounts to 31st July, 1908.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th
October, 1908, both days inclusive.

By Order,

S. A. SETH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1908. [891]

Intimation.

MUSIC LESSON.

LESSONS in Violin, Mandoline and Guitar
at pupil's residence.Evening engagements for Dances and
Concerts.Apply to—
E. J. LOPEZ,
C/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 9th March 1908. [892]

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BIRTH.
On September 27, 1908, at Shanghai, the wife of H. A. GRAY, of a son.

DEATHS.
On August 19, 1908, at Shanghai, MARCUS AARON SOPHER, of Shanghai. Deeply Regretted.

On October 2, 1908, at Shanghai, CHARLES GEORGE RICHARD BRODERSEN, of Siemens & Co., aged 48 years.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A RECENT issue of the *B. N. Borneo Herald* says—Nine Chinese lunatics were shipped to Canton via Hongkong by *the Manung* on 22nd ult. The passage contract was for a minimum of ten, but the authorities could not beat up a man to fill the vacancy. They state that there are lunatics in plenty—but not Chinese!

A CHINAMAN, bearing visiting cards describing himself as "Lieutenant Colonel, Imperial Chinese Navy," has been arrested for obtaining money by false pretences, and is now in Kudat Gaol. The gentleman was travelling as a deck passenger by *s.s. Maruwa*, and obtaining money by producing a mandate purporting to be from the Dowager Empress of China, which threatened decapitation or lesser penalties for refusal. A head-tail of one of the estates was induced to part with money by the offer of the button of a 5th class mandarin. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Kudat, being doubtful of his bona fides, telegraphed through the Resident to the Chinese Consul at Singapore, with the result that the police were requested to intervene.

miles in the wild highlands of Tibet; living on whatever food he could find on the spot, from hand to mouth; neither smoking nor drinking; and finally and appropriately returning to civilization dressed in the garments of a Tibetan Lama, his own clothes having been lost in a fire. We shall have to wait for the inevitable lecture before the Royal Geographical Society and the equally inevitable book in order to satisfy our curiosity as to the extent of the Doctor's explorations and discoveries. Twenty-five years have passed since he first visited Asia, and since then he has made five expeditions in this vast continent, every one of them lasting from two to three years. What Dr. Sven Hedin does not know about Tibet is surely not worth knowing. It seems strange when one considers how thoroughly the world has been explored, that in the year 1907 it should be given to any one practically to discover a range of mountains two thousand miles long, and the surprise of the discovery is intensified rather than diminished by the fact that here and there the country traversed was already known. The famous Swede was the discoverer. And it is important to remember that such a discovery cannot be made again, for there is no blank space big enough on the map of the world to contain such a range of mountains. When Dr. Sven Hedin's book is forthcoming we expect a feast of fine things, for his skill with the pen is not the least of his accomplishments. Perhaps a man who has done the things that he has done and seen the things that he has seen could hardly fail in the recording of them. It is simply astounding what this one man accomplishes on one of his arduous journeys in the way of scientific work. Singlehanded or with slight aid from one of the Burmese Cossacks, placed at his service by the Tsar, he makes his observations—geographical, geological, astronomical, etc., from morning to night, and robs himself of sleep to jot them down first in pencil, then in ink, so as to have two sets of results. And yet, though this tireless Swede labours so ardently in the cause of science, he loves adventure for its own sake, just as he loves Nature for her own sake. He has been paid a hundred-fold for his toilsome marches. A keen sense of enjoyment has attended him throughout. He writes almost in ecstasy of the sight he saw in the secret places of the world. Here is an exquisite description of the holy lake, Mansarovar, the most holy and the most famous of all the lakes in the world:—"Shut in between two of the great mountains in the world, Kailas in the north, and Gurja-Madibata in the south, and between the chains from which these mountains raise their heads crowned with dazzling eternal snow, stretches out the holy lake, almost round in form, and nearly twenty-five kilometres in diameter. I was often back weeping for joy at the sight of this wonderful landscape of surpassing grandeur, and I cherished a secret hope to be able one day to describe it in words for others, to be able in my insignificance to utter a feeble and faltering word of praise of the Almighty. How came Mansarovar and Kailas to become objects of divine worship in two so different religions as Hinduism and Buddhism, if each in its own special way did not appeal to and impress the human mind by its marvellous beauty, and did not seem to be rather a part of heaven than of earth? A bath in the lake insures Hindus immunity from sin; a pilgrimage round the mountain or the lake in the same direction as the hands of a clock frees the Tibetan from the tortures of purgatory, and permits him after death to sit for all eternity at the feet of the gods and eat 'tsamba' out of golden dishes." If this is a foretaste of Dr. Sven Hedin's lectures and writings the most exacting critic will not be disappointed. According to his own report his funds are practically exhausted, and he has lost by death his most generous patron, King Oscar of Sweden. But we feel sure that other friends will rise up to assist him, and that he will be able to give to the world the results of his great adventure.

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The following are the names of students who were successful at examinations held in June last at the Hongkong Technical Institute. Prize winners are denoted by an asterisk, and those who passed with "Distinction" by the letter "D" after their names.

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THE OPIUM TRADE.

INDIA'S CO-OPP'TION WITH CHINA.
In the Indian Budget estimate for 1908-1909, the following reference appears on the all-important subject of the opium trade with China:

"Under Opium, we estimate that our gross receipts will amount to 726.43 laks and our net revenue to 503.19 laks in 1908-1909, as compared with 783.43 and 534 laks respectively in the current year. The reduction in net revenue would have been greater but for the poor outturn of the crop now being gathered which will reduce the payments to be made to the cultivators. The number of chests of Bengal opium to be offered for sale has been reduced from 48,000 to 45,000, and the average price likely to be obtained has been estimated at Rs. 320 per chest as against Rs. 35., the average obtained during the current year. The trade in Malwa opium has slightly revived of late, and we have assumed that 15,100 chests will pay duty, that being the full amount permissible during the calendar year, as explained below."

In last year's Financial Statement, I referred to the fact that negotiations were in progress with the Government of China in regard to the restriction of the opium trade; but these had not at that time reached a stage at which any announcement was possible. Papers have recently been presented to Parliament explaining the nature of the settlement that has been arrived at. The gist of the latter is as follows:—

(1) that the Government of India have agreed to restrict the export of opium from this country to 6,000 chests during the calendar year 1908, and to effect further reductions of 5,100 chests in each of the two following years; (2) that the question of making still further reductions after the year 1910 will depend on whether China has, in the interval, effected a proportional reduction in its own production and consumption of opium;

(3) that the question of increasing the Chinese import duty, which at present stands at 100 taels per picul, has been postponed for the present, as the objections entertained to this course are felt to require much fuller consideration; and (4) that China shall be permitted to post a Chinese official at Calcutta to watch the auctions and the packing, but with no power of interference.

In pursuance of this agreement we have reduced the area under poppy cultivation in the Bihar and Benares Agencies from 845,000 acres to 800,000 acres. The number of chests of Bengal opium to be offered for sale has been reduced to 3,000 per annum till December next, and to 3,600 from January to March 1909; and the number of chests of Malwa opium which may be exported from Bombay has been limited to a maximum of 15,100 during the present calendar year. Further reductions will probably be effected in 1910 and 1911.

India is thus prepared to do its part in co-operating with China towards the eventual extinction of opium habit among the Chinese. Whether further measures will hereafter be taken will depend on the degree of success which may be found to attend the efforts of the Chinese Government. That those efforts are sincere we entertain no doubt, and such evidence as we possess indicates that the present movement is backed by a greater measure of official influence and public opinion than has been the case on former occasions.—The difficulty of the task however is enormous, and it cannot be affirmed with confidence that a habit which has acquired a strong hold over many millions of people, and a trade which yields large profits not only to the Chinese Government but to great numbers of cultivators and middlemen, can be effectively stamped out in the brief space of ten years.

STEAM NAVIGATION SUBSIDIES.

GOVERNMENT AND THE N.Y.C.

The question of the continuance of the grant of a special subsidy to steamship services and of retrenchment in the steam-navigation and ship-building encouragement bounties are expected to be burning questions in the Diet during the coming session, and the Government is now making investigations thereupon. It has been asserted that the special subsidy will be reduced, but, according to vernacular contemporaries, this does not seem likely to be the case. Baron Goto, Minister of Communications, is reported to have remarked that the reduction of the special subsidy granted to steam services was out of the question at the present time, when acute competition prevailed among the steam services in various countries. Possibly the manner in which the subsidy was now granted required amendment, as it was defective in many respects, but those who were now agitating for the reduction or discontinuance of the subsidy were working in their own personal interests.

The amount of subsidy received by the Nippon Yusen Kalsho is Yen 1,000,000 for twelve vessels on the European line, Yen 500,000 for three vessels on the Seattle run, and Yen 500,000 for the Formosa Line, making a total of Yen 3,500,000. Besides this, those of the company's steamers having certain qualifications are entitled to receive a bounty in accordance with the Steam Navigation Encouragement Law, and such steamers may be put on any line at the discretion of the company. In the event of the contract with the Government to run special services with subsidies not being renewed the company is resolved to secure a bounty under the Steam Navigation Encouragement Law to offset the amount of subsidy lost by the cancelling of the contract. The company is ready to put the Amakaze and five other new steamers (each 8,500 tons) on the European line. With these six vessels the company can obtain a bounty of Yen 1,000,000 a year by virtue of the Steam Navigation Encouragement Law, while the twelve vessels now on the line receive Yen 500,000 according to the same law. Thus if the special subsidy is discontinued, the company will be able to obtain assistance to the extent of at least Yen 1,000,000.—*Japan Chronicle*.

TOMORROW'S GYMKHANA.

THE LATEST FROM THE COURSE.

An anonymous contributor, who signs himself "Our Special Commissioner," sends us the following:—

"The fifth Gymkhana, to be held to-morrow, promises to give us some excellent racing. The handicaps are well framed, and not the farce they were last meeting. A large number of the ponies are in excellent fettle—especially Earthquake, Maryland, Aral, Blue Nile and Sidier Dhu."

The course is in good order and some fast times should be made.

The winners are not easy to find, and it is with some diffidence I make the following selections:—

5 Fur. Handicap—Earthquake.
Gymkhana Stake—Coxcomb.

6 Fur. Soudan, save on Strathbain.

1½ Mile Handicap—Earthquake.

THE CALL OF THE EAST.

East of Suez, it is not worth your while to bid a man "good bye" when he goes home; for, providing you cousin there, of a surety you will meet him again.

It may be months or years later, but is the end, above the laughter of women's voices, in the midst of roaring streets and all the things he desired so ardently during the lean years of exile, that "Wanderlust" will again possess his soul, and he will obey.

The smell of the wood fires on an Indian plain at sunset, the witchery of the moon rising over Egyptian deserts, a far-off, deep-voiced temple bell—he will remember these things and presently he will again be watching his steamer's bow-wave as it swirls against the back of the Canal.

For she is a hard mistress, the East. Pitiless and inexorable, taking no thought of partings that wrench heart-strings, of plighted troths and tear-dimmed eyes. From the school-bench, from the law court, from workshops and palace, from forge, loom, and "drawing-room, she gathers her wokers: sailors, soldiers, traders, and diplomats, a ceaseless human tide, ever setting Eastward.

And they obey her voice, to learn later her moods, in turn harsh, sullen, or passionate, upon wistful and beseeching. To know her as a shivering virago, alone with fury, sunk in squalor unspeakable, appearing again clad in imperial purple, murmuring in their ears, half-caught whispers that men have listened to throughout the ages.

And some day, when the tale of bricks is complete, these men return, yellow and grizzled, sad-eyed with much seeing. Verily, a home-coming of Strange Children; on whose bowed shoulders rests the Cross of Rebeck!

A keening mass of blue-clad, pigtailed humanity, cursing, jostling, laughing, and quarrelling; snarling dogs and pigs, grunting amid piles of garbage, where flies hang in noisy, sultry swarms; and overhead a pitiless sun blazing from an aching sky. Such is a Chinese city in the south on a midsummer's day.

The narrow, crowded streets are rudely paved with slabs of stone, in the interstices of which creeps the sewerage of the city. In places a heap of refuse has formed, a dam, and spreads a lake of pollution across the street. Outside the shops hang heavily gilded signs, and coloured lanterns covered with ideographs hang between the houses. At the back of each dimly-lit interior sits a grinning "Joss," half-scared amid spirals of incense smoke.

There are shops heaped with silks of every vivid colour and shade—purple and amber-blue, scarlet, and violet. Ivory, jade, and lacquer-shops, where men crouch over work so fine that every second is precious to them—for in a few years they must go blind. You catch a glimpse behind dingy curtains of a flaring kerosene lamp, and a ring of yellow, impassive faces gathered round a board: a Fan-Tan house. Students and men of leisure stroll gravely along, their hands clasped behind their backs. A few women of the lower classes hobble on their maimed feet, the day's marketing dangling from a wisp of straw. But the keynote is struck by the sweating coolies who grunt and curse as they stagger past under their burdens, by strings of vociferous beggars, blind and maimed, by loathsome, twisted-objects whining to the passer-by from some unclean corner, and by those bowed toilers in the dim workshops.

Over the sand, that is dazzling in its glaring whiteness, a scramble across the head of stones and piled-up scoria at high-water mark, and with the aid of creepers climb up the crumpling face of the cliff. Overhead the branches are so thickly interwoven that the sky is shut out, and the light that filters through is green and eerie. Festoons of lichen and creeper hang down to the ground and form ghostly aisles, down which flies a huge stable butterfly.

As you push your way further into the twilight the thunder of the surf dies down to a low crooning, and a snake, frightened at your footfall, glides away among the rustling leaves underfoot. Jagged masses of lava, polished with long, pinkish hair, drag through the rubbish, flung upwards by some volcanic outburst in the dawn of Time.

Overhead a few pigeons are fluttering in the branches, where orchids live, and great crimson clumps of blossom flaunt their evil beauty. The air is heavy with the smell of decay and rotting vegetation. You pause to listen, and the stillness deepens, while the thumping of your heart deadens the far-off roar of the breakers.

LAND from the little coasting steamer, and walk past the cluster of red-tiled, wooden houses nestling among the hills, where women in quiet bonnets, with blackened teeth, pause in their household duties to give you a low-voiced musical greeting. Past the group of chubby children playing, a soldier under the cherry trees, till you come to the distant temple, half-hidden in the evening haze that hangs over the headlands.

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HONGKONG CIVIL SERVICE "A" TEAM.

In the match between the C.S.C.C. versus

Sgt. Major Middlesex Regt., the following will represent the former Club on the Civil Service ground at 2.15 p.m., on Saturday next:—Messrs. A. E. Davey (captain), R. C. Barlow, F. E. Beach, C. F. Burdett, H. Coombs, W. S. Diggin, G. Hogarth, W. H. Kelly, J. Mackay, F. Suttor, A. M. Thornhill, Reserves:—A. G. Pile, E. W. Dawson, A. Gipion and C. H. Parkinson.

Within, a shaven, yellow-robed priest moves silently across the polished-teak floor. Remove your shoes, and on your stocking-feet creep, into the shadow of one of the vast wooden pillars that support the roof; presently into the warm, incense-scented gloom, creep others white high above your head, the deep tones of the bell bring you memories of other evenings in an English summer.

The presents filter noiselessly in; and from the altar where the lamps gleam wanly you hear the murmur of the priest. He bows, bowing to gilded wood and stone fashioned by man's hand; but watch the peace steadily over that seamed, wrinkled face. She is an old woman, very poor, very humble—too humble to come further than the threshold—but she is interceding with the high gods for the soul of her six-born, who died on a Manchurian battlefield.

And presently you creep out again into the warm, evening air, and to your ears come the laughter of children and the tinkling of a distant campanile.

Your tickshaw coolie nods, smiles knowingly—as, one man of the world to another—and presently you are whirled through the business quarter of the town and down badly lit streets that stretch beyond. Then, with a warning groan, he swings round a corner and pulls up panting.

The night is still with women's voices, and tickly with cheap, clinging perfume. A glare of light streams from open doors and windows where gaily-coloured lanterns swing. From the pavements, sheltered by overhanging balconies, from curtained windows, and parapets of roofs, women's eyes follow you. Everywhere you turn, eyes bright with belladonna and sad with sorrow, men can never know or fathom, meet yours. Painted lips twist into mechanical smiles, clamoring in the tongues of half the nations upon earth. It is sordid an evil and pitiful—utterly pitiful, for all the bold-faced, reckless gaiety. The tickle of a crazy piano, thumping out a waltz; a man's voice raised in mauldin song; the chink of coin; and, as you turn to leave the glaring street, a woman's laugh ringing out above the uproar, that strikes a note of pathos surer than ever could her tears.

Beyond the straggling city that lies at the Gate of the East, the road starts of adventurous enough towards the waste land that stretches beyond. But presently growing disheartened, it divides to a mere track among the sand-dunes; and, but for the rutts left by occasional rubbish carts, is in danger of being lost altogether.

The sea, sparkling and dimpling in the sun-light, stretches away on your right hand, breaking on the sand in a white smother; in the blue overhead a kite is swinging in dizzy circles; everywhere else—sand.

An hour's walk brings you to a door set in a white-washed wall, half-buried beneath the drifting sand, and here the track, its mission in life fulfilled, ceases. At the door salutes an old Arab gardener, scenting *baccharis*; behind him you catch a glimpse of tombs bordering paths of beaten sand: for you stand at the threshold of God's Acra.

Heaven knows what tragedies lie beneath these crumbling monuments and sun-baked mounds: what manner of men were these to whose lives the Moving Finger wrote the irrevocable "Finis," ere they could return to tell the tale of their achievements. Here and there a half-effaced inscription gives a glimpse of some buried story.

A ruined cross, beaving on its cracked surface the legend, "Vanitas Vanitatis"—the rest is indecipherable. It is the tomb of a young French naval officer, who died on his way home from his first commission in the East. At the foot of the cross, still legible, are the words, "Prie Pour Lui."

Beyond the wall the surf murmurs, an endless "Ave." A cool breeze off the sea sends the grains of sand in little swirls about your feet, and from the shore comes the melancholy wail of a sea-gull. The lizards that scurried away at your approach creep back once more, and watch the disturber of their peace with bright, unjinking eyes.

For they are the guardians of the dead, whose secrets lie with them, where, doubtless, they are safe enough.—"Bartimeus" in *Pall Mall Gazette*.

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CRICKET.

INTERPORT TEAM v. THE REST.

The following have been selected to play in the above match to-morrow, commencing 12 o'clock, noon:—

Interport team:—Mr. W. C. D. Turner (capt.), Mr. A. E. Lutong, Mr. R. O. Hutchinson, Mr. A. A. Claxton, Mr. A. W. Peake, Mr. W. Edwards, Mr. R. E. O. Bird, Lt. E. J. H. Houghton, 10th Mah., Lt. G. R. Home, 3rd Mid. Regt., Corp. Sharpe, 3rd Mid. Regt., Bandman Barlow, 3rd Mid. Regt.

The Rest:—Mr. R. Hancock (capt.), Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. A. P. Dashwood, Mr. E. A. Fowler, Mr. E. B. Reed, Mr. A. H. Young, Mr. F. H. H. Stevens, Major Stephenson, 3rd Mid. Regt., Capt. H. M. Beasley, Lt. Mr. W. F. Brewer.

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CRAIGENGOWER v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

A cricket match between the above Clubs will take place at the Happy Valley on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. The following will represent Craigengower:—L. E. Lammer (capt.), G. A. Hancock, R. Bass, A. O. Bravo, M. E. Anger, G. Evans, L. A. Rose, P. Currie, W. V. Viveash, W. H. L. Wantzner, and R. Phillips.

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HONGKONG CIVIL SERVICE "A" TEAM.

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THE YARN TRADE.

DIFFICULTIES OF COTTON YARN IN CHINA.

The *Japan Chronicle* says:—In a letter to his journal, the Shanghai correspondent of the *Osaka Ji* writes:—It goes without saying that the cotton yarn market in Shanghai is extremely depressed. This is chiefly due to the low market of silver; but the repeated failure of crops in China of late years is also a powerful factor in the depression. The import of Japanese yarn between January 1st and September 30th amounted to 165,350 piculs, showing a decrease of about 49 per cent. on the figure for the corresponding period of last year. The import of Indian yarn also shows a decrease, but only of about 20 per cent.; the figures for the period being 497,537 piculs, against 633,934 piculs for the corresponding period last year. The stock remaining on the market is comparatively small, which indicates that sales of yarn are not so few as is generally supposed. In these circumstances, if the yarn is offered at a price suitable to buyers, there will be no cause to complain of bad sales in China. Japanese yarn always rules higher than the product of other countries, due partly to its better quality, but the quotation has been forced up still higher by the decline in silver. The low price of silver has seriously affected the money market in Shanghai, though not so much as elsewhere in North China. Many merchants have sustained heavy losses, and this has greatly interfered with the circulation of money. The constant fluctuation in the silver market has led the Chinese, who are fond of speculation, to become more interested in speculating in silver than in ordinary business, and the result has been to still further augment the stagnation in business created by the low price of the metal. The depression in the import of cotton yarn, especially of Japanese yarn, into China is in a large measure due to the marked progress made by the spinning industry in China itself. This fact should be carefully noted by Japanese spinners. The total number of spindles in operation in China is 350,000 at the end of last year, rose to 744,324 at the end of January last, the number of spinning companies being 27. The annual output of yarn is now estimated at 400,000 bales, and an increase of about 20,000 spindles will be seen in the near future. Of the existing 27 spinning companies in China, thirteen have their mills in Shanghai, where the annual output of yarn exceeds 260,000 bales, while the mills of other companies, with the exception of the companies at Hongkong and Tientsin, are scattered in the vicinity of Shanghai and the Yangtze valley. It need, therefore, cause no surprise that the market for Japanese yarn in China is affected, especially when these mills in the Yangtze valley are concentrating their energies on the production of the variety of coarse yarn largely imported from Japan. Moreover, the quality of Chinese yarn has much improved. For instance the "Double Dragon" brand of the Anglo-Chinese Cotton Mill is equal in quality to the yarn produced by the Fukushima mill of Osaka; and the price is three taels lower than the Japanese yarn.

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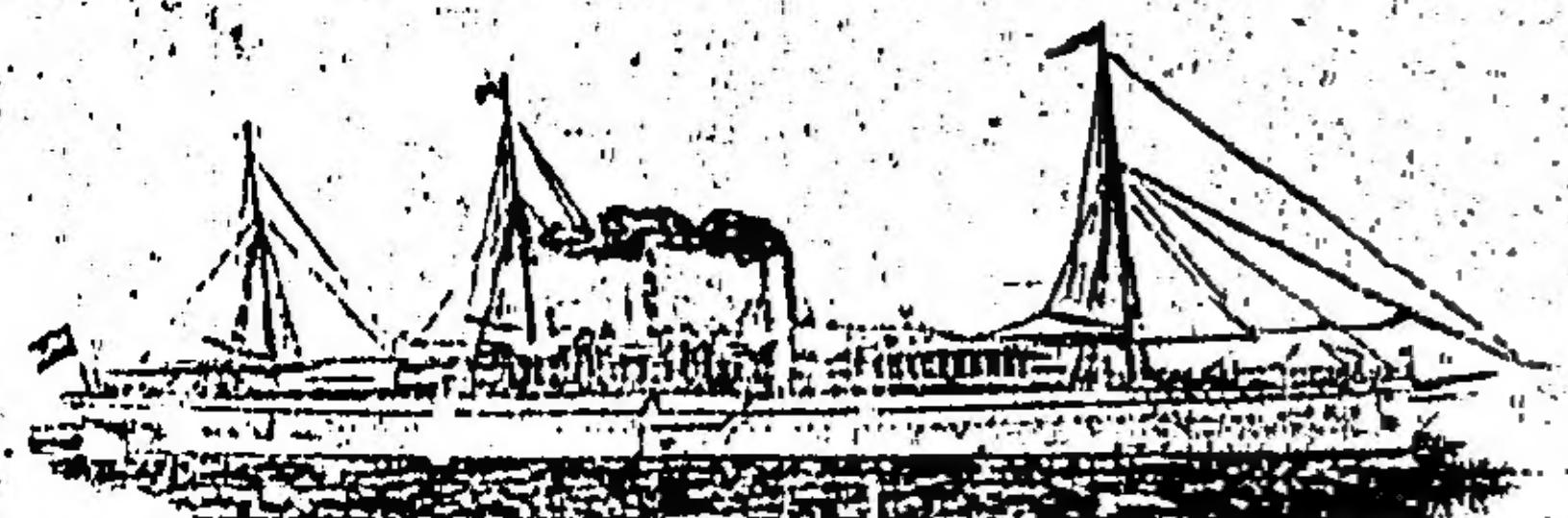
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"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	SATURDAY, Oct. 17th	Nov. 7th
"GLENFARG"	3,647	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 28th	Nov. 25th
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	SATURDAY, Nov. 7th	Nov. 28th
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	SATURDAY, Nov. 28th	Dec. 19th
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	SATURDAY, Dec. 12th	Jan. 5th, 1909
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	SATURDAY, Dec. 26th	Jan. 16th
S.S. "GLENFARG"			is a Freighters only and does not carry Passengers.
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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

For	Steamship	To
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	HANGSANG	SATURDAY, 10th Oct., 3 P.M.
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	MUNISANG	TUESDAY, 13th Oct., 1 P.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 16th Oct., 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONSANG	FRIDAY, 13th Oct., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	* WED'DAY, 28th Oct., Noon.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

OCCUPYING 24 DAYS.

The steamers *Kaitang*, *Nansong* and *Fooksing* leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan if passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Oshoo, Tientsin & Newchwang. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

Telephone No. 61.
Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA and AUS.	"TAIYUAN"	10th Oct., 4 P.M.
TRALIA	"HANGCHOW"	10th
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"ICHANG"	11th
NEWCHWANG	"NANCHANG"	12th
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	13th
MANILA	"TAMING"	13th
CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	16th

MANILA and TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior Passenger accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

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Reduced Saloon Fares, Single and Return, to Manilla and Australia.

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AGENTS.

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Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amildships—Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SUNDAY, 11th Oct., at 1 P.M.
RUBI	2540	Almond	"	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

Shipping—Steamers.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE

Connecting at Tacoma with NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the United States of America and Canada, and also for the principal ports in Mexico, and Central and South America.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain	To Sail
Craftsman	4,415	B. C. Edmonds	Oct. 9
Sovereign	6,355	W. Shattock	Nov. 10
Kunimura	6,232	E. S. Cowley	Dec. 1
Yaddo	4,583	G. B. McGill	Dec. 22
Inverie	4,789	J. L. D.	Jan. 12

These steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Steerage passengers.

PACIFIC EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1908. [19-20]

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE."

Captain G. R. Warner, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 13th October, 1908.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1908. [84]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE."

Captain Helms, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 15th October, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1908. [86]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK & BOSTON:

S.S. "SHIMOSA" 12th Oct., Noon.

FOR NEW YORK:

S.S. "PATHAN" 31st October.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1908. [82]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI."

Captain Macfarlane, will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, 19th October.

For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1908. [86]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

"KWONG TUNG" Capt. E. W. Walker.

"KWONG SAU" Capt. E. S. Crowe.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every evening, (Saturday excepted).

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOUR & CO. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT RESERVE AT WORKING ACCOUNT	LAST DIVIDENDS	APPROXIMATE PRESENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS
BANKS:							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,500,000 \$14,000,000 \$40,000}	\$2,005,774	{ Interim of £2 for first half year @ ex 1/9—\$21,542	5% { \$792 London £60
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	{ \$4,000 \$10,000}	\$10,235	52 (London 3/6) for 1903	... 50
MARINE INSURANCES:							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,560,000 \$120,000 \$30,000 \$125,000}	none	\$20 (or 1906)	10% 2 \$200
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	{ Tls. 100,000 Tls. 48,000}	Tls. 204,244	Interim of 7/6 ex 2/5 for 1907	6% Tls. 82 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	{ \$3,000,000 \$100,000 \$30,000 \$125,000}	\$2,560,011	{ Final of \$1 making \$45 for 1906 and Interim of \$3 for 1907	5% 580
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	15,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$100,000 \$85,000 \$140,000 \$125,000}	\$108,763	\$1 and bonus \$3 for 1906	9% \$167½ buyers
FIRE INSURANCES:							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$10	{ \$1,000,000 \$125,000 \$115,000}	\$125,027	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1906	8% \$95 sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,250,000 \$125,000}	\$27 ... 1906	\$8 and bonus \$2 for 1906	8% \$330 sales
SHIPPING:							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$24	{ \$7,000 \$264,000 \$300,000 \$187,500 \$125,000}	\$1,035	\$1 for 1906	... \$15
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$125,000 \$187,500 \$125,000}	\$17,755	\$2½ or year-ending 30th June	10% \$44
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$1,000,000 \$125,000}	\$18 for first half-year ending 30th June	7½% \$88 buyers	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) Do. (Deferred)	60,000	£5	£5	{ \$4,000,000 \$125,000}	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16—\$3,154	5% £35
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 75,000 \$125,000 \$100,000 \$65,000}	Tls. 14,570	Interim of Tls. 1/- for account 1908	7½% Tls. 47 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	{ \$10,000 \$125,000}	\$63,817	Final of 1/- making \$1 for 1907 and 1/- Interim of 1/- (No. 10) for a/c 1908 \$1.00 for year ending 30th June	5% Tls. 51 buyers 45% \$35
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 140,000 \$60,000 \$100,000 \$115,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 1/- making Tls. 5 for 1907	11% Tls. 45 buyers
REFINERIES:							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	70,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. \$279,371	48 for year ending 31st Dec.	... \$120
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. \$135,131	48 for year ending 31st Dec.	... \$12
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. \$135,131	48 for year ending 31st Dec.	... \$12 buyers
MINING:							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	{ \$150,000 \$125,000}	£11,156	Interim of 1/- for account 1908	7½% Tls. 16
Raub Australian Gold Minig Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	{ \$150,000 \$125,000}	£1,191	Interim of 1/- for account 1908	... \$7
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS:							
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$53,601 \$100,000}	\$3,736	\$1.75 for year ending 31st Dec.	... \$13
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000 \$75,000}	\$8,556	Final of 1/- making \$5½ for 1907	7% \$50
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	£50	£50	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000 \$75,000}	£384,647	Interim of \$4 for account 1908	8½% \$94
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 1,000,000 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 33,743	Final of £1/- making Tls. 5 for 1907	6% Tls. 86 sales
Shanghai and Honkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 607,457 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Tls. 23,020	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	10½% Tls. 157½ sellers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS:							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 25,000 \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. Tls. 6,532	Tls. 8 for 1907	6% Tls. 98 sales
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	£25	£25	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. 34,210	\$2 for year ending 30th Dec.	... \$10
Central Stores, Limited	50,125	£15	£15	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Dr. 39,178	\$1.80 for 1906	5½% \$12 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$14,639	Interim of £3 for account 1908	9½% 177 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$16,915	Interim of \$1½ for account 1908	7½% \$94
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$4,681	70 cents for 1907	7½% 59 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$1052	\$1 for 1907	6½% 57
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 1,523,045 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 107,547	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7% Tls. 113 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$1,541	Interim of \$2 for account 1908	9% \$46
COTTON MILLS:							
Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 150,000 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 8,807	Tls. 2½ for year ending 31st Dec.	8½% Tls. 66 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ Tls. 45,919 \$100,000 \$125,000}	\$19,553	50 cents for year ending 31st Dec.	4½% \$10½
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 150,000 \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Tls. 85,519	Tls. 6 for year ended 30th Dec.	... Tls. 64 buyers
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none Tls. 28,257}	Tls. 6,308	Tls. 8 for 1906	... Tls. 73 sellers
Soy Chas Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 50,000 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 50,063	Tls. 50 for 1906	... Tls. 240
MISCELLANEOUS:							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	5,604	£1/6	£1/6	{ £1,500 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£1,648	10½ per share for 1907—\$1.037	13½% \$10½
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	£12	£12	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	Nil	£1.30 for 1907	12% \$10
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$25,000	60 cents for year ended 28th Dec.	... \$6
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$5,598	80 cents for 1907	8½% \$9½
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	£7½	£7½	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$2,974	\$1.30 for year ending 31st Dec.	12½% \$20 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$12,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$15,970	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	12½% \$12 buyers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$12,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	\$2,525	75 cents for 9 months ending 31st Dec.	8½% \$12 buyers
Hall & Holt, Limited	21,000	£20	£20	{ \$12,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£18,97	\$1 for year ending 28th Dec.	10½% \$20 sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£9,321	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29th Dec.	6½% \$18
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£25	£25	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£4,578	Interim of \$4 for account 1907	8½% \$25
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£11,192	Interim of \$1 for account 1908	8½% \$25
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch en Landbouw-exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Ga. 100	Ga. 100	{ Tls. 57,500 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 17,127	Interim of Tls. 10 for 1st quarter	5½% Tls. 650 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£5,471	(80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30th Dec.)	4½% \$24
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£11,000	... \$28	... \$28
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	£10	£10	{ \$100,000 \$125,000 \$100,000}	£11,000	None	... \$28
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000 \$100,000 \$125,000}	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7½ for 1907	6½% Tls. 117 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	50,000	Tls. 2					